



Major General Yves J. Fontaine – Commanding General 21st Theater Sustainment Command

Major General Yves J. Fontaine was born in La Louviere, Belgium and became a naturalized American citizen in 1971. He graduated from LaSalle University as a Distinguished Military Graduate and earned a commission as an Ordnance Officer in 1976. His military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Command and General Staff College, School for Advanced Military Studies, and the War College. Maj. Gen. Fontaine holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from LaSalle University, a Master's degree in Business Administration from Webster University, and a Master's degree in Advanced Military Studies from the Army's Command and General Staff College.

After completing the Ordnance Officer Basic Training Course, he served as an Armament Platoon Leader, Maintenance Platoon Leader, Shop Officer, and Battalion Maintenance Officer in the 708th Maintenance Battalion, 8th Infantry Division.

Upon completion of the Ordnance Officer Advanced Course, Maj. Gen. Fontaine's assignments included Battalion S1, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachments Commander and Battalion Maintenance Officer in the 68th Transportation Battalion, and Bravo and Foxtrot Company Commander and Battalion Maintenance Officer, 704th Maintenance Battalion, 4th Infantry Division.

Maj. Gen. Fontaine later served as the Maintenance Officer for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle System Materiel Fielding Team and as the Materiel Operations Officer in the 19th Maintenance Battalion, 3rd Corps Support Command in Vilseck, Germany before being selected for the Training with Industry Program, Defense Contract Agency.

Maj. Gen. Fontaine's next assignment was as the G4 Chief of Plans, 24th Infantry Division, during Operation Desert Shield, and the Liaison Officer for the Sixth (French) Light Armored Division during Operation Desert Storm. Afterwards, he served as the Support Operations Officer, 24th Forward Support Battalion, 24th Infantry Division.

After assignment as the J4 Logistics and Security Assistance Chief, US European Command, Maj. Gen. Fontaine assumed command of the 82nd Forward Support Battalion 82nd Airborne Division. Upon graduation from the US Army War College, Maj. Gen. Fontaine became the G4, 82nd Airborne Division; Commander, Special Operations Support Command; and G4 and Chief of Staff, US Special Operations Command. He then assumed Command of the 1st Corps Support Command, Fort Bragg and Operation Iraqi Freedom III. Maj. Gen. Fontaine last served as the G4, US Army Europe and Seventh Army in Heidelberg, Germany.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters; Bronze Star Medal; Defense Superior Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters; Army Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster; the Combat Action Badge; and the Master Parachutist Badge.